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JUDICIAL NOMINATING COMMISSION SELECTS FIVE NOMINEES FOR SECOND DISTRICT JUVENILE COURT VACANCY

Salt Lake City, Utah—The Second District Judicial Nominating Commission has released the names of five nominees for a vacancy in Second District Juvenile Court.

The nominees are as follows: Martin W. Custen, attorney, Ogden; David. S. Dillon, Second District Court Commissioner, Farmington; Michael D. DiReda, Davis County Attorney's Office prosecutor, Kaysville; Paul F. Iwasaki, Salt Lake City Justice Court Judge, Bountiful; Robert N. Parrish, Guardian ad Litem Layton Office managing attorney, Bountiful:

A 10-day public comment period will be held before the names are submitted to Gov Jon M. Huntsman, Jr. To submit comments about the nominees, address a written statement to Commission Chair Kelly Hansen, c/o Administrative Office of the Courts, P.O. Box 140241, Salt Lake City, UT, 84114-0241. Comments must be received by June 6, 2005 at 5:00 p.m.

The commission may request further interviews or an investigation of the nominees after reviewing public comments. After the public comment period, the names will be sent to the governor who has 30 days to select a candidate. The Governor's nominee is then forwarded to the Senate Confirmation Committee, which reviews the nominee's qualifications and conducts a public hearing and interview session. The Senate Confirmation Committee then forwards the final nominee to the Utah State Senate, which has 60 days from the Governor's nomination to confirm the nominee.